

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
WACO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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V.

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CRIMINAL NO. W-14-CR-034

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GILBERT MIKE MELENDEZ

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FACTUAL BASIS

Had this case proceeded to trial, the United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas was prepared to prove and would prove that:

On or about February 5, 2014, in the Western District of Texas, the Defendant,

GILBERT MIKE MELENDEZ,

unlawfully, knowingly, and intentionally did possess with intent to distribute a controlled substance, which offense involved at least 50 grams of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(B).

Specifically, the United States Attorney would prove beyond a reasonable doubt that:

On February 5, 2014, Waco Police Department executed a search warrant on a vehicle and residence in Waco, which is located within the Waco Division of the Western District of Texas. The target of the warrant was **GILBERT MIKE MELENDEZ**. Law enforcement stopped the vehicle, a 1997 GMC pickup, in the area of 27th and Grim in Waco. **MELENDEZ** was the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle. **MELENDEZ** was Mirandized prior to any questioning by law enforcement. After acknowledging his legal rights, he agreed to speak to the police. He told Investigator Darryl Moore that he had between 7 to 8 ounces of “ice” in the truck

and directed them as to its location. They also located scales, plastic baggies and a .380 automatic firearm with three (3) rounds, one in the chamber and two in the clip. The statement by **MELLENDEZ** was recorded by Investigator Moore.

During the execution of the search warrant at the residence, officers located a small quantity of methamphetamine and other paraphernalia indicating drug trafficking. In total, there were approximately 40 individual baggies of methamphetamine seized. Investigation revealed that **MELLENDEZ** is on parole until 2022.

The substances were submitted to the DPS Lab, where they did test positive for the presence of methamphetamine, with a net weight of approximately 200 grams. In the training and experience of Investigator Moore, the amount of methamphetamine possessed is an amount for distribution, not for personal use.

Respectfully submitted,

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